

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINR, MILI, KS, KN

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN MILITARY BUILD UP

REF: SEOUL 1284

1. NEW YORK TIMES RAN ONLY ONE STORY FEBRUARY 23 BY  
LESLIE GELB WHICH CONTAINS BOTH POINTS CITED REFTEL.  
MATERIAL IS ATTRIBUTED TO "A PENTAGON OFFICIAL AND  
CONFIRMED BY RANKING STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS", BUT WE  
HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO DETERMINE IDENTITY OF SOURCES  
SUPPOSEDLY INVOLVED. FULL TEXT CARRIED IN WIRELESS FILE.

2. IN DISCUSSION OF \$1.5 BILLION MOD PLAN STORY SAYS  
THAT FY 74 MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO ROK TOTALLED \$134.8  
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MILLION AND IS EXPECTED TO BE HIGHER IN FY 75. AS EMBASSY

AWARE, FY 74 MAP FIGURES HAVE ONLY RECENTLY BEEN REPORTED TO POST AND TO CONGRESS, BUT HAVE NOT BEEN RELEASED TO PUBLIC. DURING COURSE OF RECENT COURTESY CALLS, ROK AMBASSADOR HAHM WAS PRIVATELY INFORMED THAT MAP PLANNING MAY BE SUBSTANTIALLY AFFECTED BY DEMANDS OF CAMBODIAN PROGRAM WITHOUT GIVING DETAILS.

3. QUOTATION ON NK INTENTIONS CITED REFTEL IS PARAPHRASE

OF SENTENCE READING "THAT OFFICIAL AND OTHERS INTERVIEWED SAID THEY WERE NOT PREDICTING THAT NORTH KOREA WAS ABOUT TO ATTACK SOUTH KOREA, BUT THAT THEY WERE WATCHING THE SITUATION VERY CAREFULLY". CASEY

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